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1. EMBASSY APPRECIATES DEPARTMENT S EFFORTS OBTAIN QUALIFIED TRACK AND FIELD COACH. GOB IN CONSULTATION BOTSWANA SPORTS COUNCIL REQUEST MATHEWS ARRIVE AROUND OCTOBER 20 FOR PERIOD NINE WEEKS.

2. FOLLOWING TENTATIVE PROGRAM PROPOSED FOR MATHEWS. TRAINING CAMP TO BE ESTABLISHED IN GABORONE FOR APPROXIMATELY SEVEN WEEKS. BOTSWANA'S BEST ATHLEKLT BROUGHT TO GABORONE FROM MINES (INCLUDING MINES IN SOUTH AFRICA) AND POLICE UNITS WHERE FOOD, LODGING AND IF NECESSARY WAGES WILL BE PROVIDED. IN ADDITION, ATHLETES FROM UBLS AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN VICINITY OF GABORONE WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND DAILY TRAINING SESSIONS. GOB PROPOSES FIVE DAY WORK WEEK TO INCLUDE SATURDAY IN ORDER THAT PROMISING ATHLETES FROM SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND TTC'S OUTSIDE CAPITAL CAN BE BROUGHT TO GABORONE FOR SATURDAY TRAINING SESSIONS. NATIONAL STADIUM WILL BE USED AS TRAINING AREA. GOB SPORTS OFFICER STATES SPORTS COUNCIL EITHER HAS NOW OR WILL PURCHASE ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT. ENVISIONED THAT IN ADDITION TO TRAINING ATHLETES, ONE WEEK COACHES WORK SHOP WILL BE CONDUCTED IN GABORONE EARLY ON DURING PROGRAM (POSSIBLY UNCLASSIFIED

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SECOND WEEK). GOB WILL BRING IN COACHES FROM OUTLYING

SECONDARY SCHOOLS, TTC'S AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS FOR THIS PURPOSE. FOLLOWING END SEVENTH WEEK, MATHEWS WILL TOUR COUNTRY IN ORDER HAVE OPPORTUNITY GIVE TRAINING SESSIONS VARIOUS SCHOOLS IN ADDITION PROVIDE COACHES WHO RECEIVED EARLIER TRAINING WITH ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE. TRIP WILL ALSO GIVE MATHEWS CHANCE TO SEE A FEW OF COUNTRY'S TOURIST ATTRACTIONS SUCH AS GAME PARKS.

3. EMBASSY BELIEVES UTILIZATION TRAINING FILMS, POSSIBLY AT USIS LIBRARY, WOULD BE USEFUL. CAN DEPARTMENT PROVIDE SUCH FILMS OR SHOULD POST ORDER FROM USIA LOAN LIBRARY? APPRECIATE MATHEWS VIEW THIS AS WELL AS PROPOSED VROGRAM.

4. EMBASSY FORESEES NO CONFLICT BETWEEN BOTSWANA PROGRAM AND POSSIBLE SWAZILAND TRAINING CAMP (REFTEL C). GOB UNAWARE SWAZI PROGRAM.
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